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SUBJECT: SEIZURE OF REFINERY IN BANGKOK

1. APRIL 21 OFFICERS OF THE POLICE NARCOTICS SUPPRESSION COMMITTEE ARRESTED CHAN HSIH-TSIN, A HEROIN TRAFFICKER AS HE TRIED TO SELL 10 KILOGRAMS OF PURE HEROIN BASE (I.E. FORM AWAITING FINAL CONVERSION TO HEROIN #3 OR #4). TO A POLICE INFORMANT NEAR THE PRESIDENT HOTEL IN BANGKOK. AFTER CHAN'S ARREST, HIS WIFE, WHO WAS ALSO PRESENT, LED POLICE TO CHAN'S REFINERY LOCATED IN HIS HOME IN THONBURI, ACROSS RIVER FROM BANGKOK. AT CHAN'S HOME, OFFICERS SEIZED AN ADDITIONAL 31 KILOS OF A COMBINATION OF PURE HEROIN BASE AND #3 HEROIN, AND ARRESTED SUNG HONG KWAH, A HONG KONG CHINESE WHO SERVED AS CHAN'S CHEMIST DURING THE THREE YEARS THE REFINERY WAS IN OPERATION.

2. THE ARRESTS CAME AS A RESULT OF A TWO-AND-ONE-HALF YEAR INVESTIGATION, CARRIED ON BY PNSC WITH DEA ASSISTANCE IN THAILAND, AND BY DEA IN NEW YORK. IN NEW YORK DEA OFFICERS ARRESTED TWO DEFENDANTS, SEIZED
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A REFINERY AND APPROXIMATELY 40 POUNDS OF HEROIN BASE, AND 15 POUNDS OF NUMBER FOUR HEROIN.
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